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TARIFFS

New Delhi, the 16th June 1949

**No. 38(2) T.B./49.**—Protection to the hurricane lantern industry has been extended up to the 31st March, 1950. As a result of representations made to Government that large imports of lanterns had been causing harm to the indigenous industry, the Tariff Board was asked to make necessary enquiries and submit recommendations to Government as to the steps to be adopted to protect the industry. The Board, having investigated the matter, has submitted its report. Its recommendations are as follows:—

- (1) "The existing protective duty of 80 per cent. *ad valorem* should be continued for another two years, i.e., up to 31st March 1952.
- (2) The industry has not made out a case for quantitative restriction on imports.
- (3) The Ministry of Industry and Supply should take steps to supply block tin to the hurricane lantern industry in sufficient quantities.
- (4) The Government of India should take up at the next Inter-Dominion Conference the question of reduction or abolition of customs duty levied in Pakistan on imported Indian hurricane lanterns.
- (5) The industry should approach the Railway Board regarding the question of internal railway freights applicable to hurricane lanterns.
- (6) The industry should make every effort to increase production and reduce costs in order to meet all the requirements of the country.
- (7) All units in the industry should be required by Government to submit annual progress reports to the Tariff Board by 31st January every year giving information regarding production, sale, stocks, costs of production and selling prices in the previous calendar year. Such reports should also include statements regarding the supply of raw materials and other factors that may have a bearing on the efficiency of the industry."

2. Government accept recommendations (1) and (2). Steps will be taken to extend the period of protection up to the 31st March, 1952.

8. Government also accept in principle the other recommendations and appropriate action will be taken to implement them as far as possible. The attention of the industry is invited to recommendation (6)

### ORDER

ORDERED that a copy of this Resolution be communicated to all Provincial Governments, all Chief Commissioners, Ministry of External Affairs (External Affairs Wing), Ministry of External Affairs (Commonwealth Relations Wing), and the several Ministries of the Government of India, Prime Minister's Secretariat, Cabinet Secretariat, the Private and Military Secretaries to His Excellency the Governor-General, the Central Board of Revenue, the Auditor General, the Director General of Employment and Resettlement, the Director General, Industry and Supply, the High Commissioner for India in London, Colombo, Ottawa, Karachi and Canberra, the Indian Ambassadors at Nanking, Moscow, Tehran, Kathmandu, Rangoon, Cairo, Kabul, Ankara, Washington, Prague, and Rio de Janeiro, Commissioner General for Commercial and Economic Affairs in Europe, Paris, Charge d' Affairs of India in Paris and Brussels, Envoys extraordinary and Ministers Plenipotentiary of India, Bangkok and Berne; Consuls General for India in Batavia; Buenos Aires, Shanghai, Pondicherry, Saigon, Kashgar, New York, and San Francisco; The Deputy High Commissioner for India in Lahore, London and Dacca; The Secretary to the High Commissioner for India in the Union of South Africa, Johannesburg; Agents of the Government of India in Kandy and Kuala Lumpur; Consuls for India at Saigon, Goa, and Jeddah; Vice Consuls for India at Medan and Zehedan; The Indian Political Officer, Sikkim; The Representative of the Government of India in Singapore; The Commissioners for the Government of India in Trinidad, Nairobi, Mauritius, and Fiji; Head of the Indian Liaison Mission, Tokyo; Head of the Military Mission, Berlin; Indian Government Trade Commissioners in Toronto, Sydney, Mombassa, Colombo, Paris and Karachi; Assistant Indian Government Trade Commissioner, Dacca; Commercial Adviser to the High Commissioner in U.K., London; Commercial Secretaries to the Indian Embassies at Alexandria, Rio de Janeiro, Rangoon, Tehran and Kabul; His Majesty's Senior Trade Commissioner in India; United States Embassy, New Delhi; The Canadian Trade Commissioner in India; The Australian Trade Commissioner in India; The Norwegian Consul General, Bombay; The High Commissioner for Pakistan in India, New Delhi; The Directors of Industries of Saurashtra Union, Rajkot; the Union State of Matsya, Alwar; the United State of Vindhya Pradesh, Rewa; the United State of Rajasthan, Udaipur, Gwalior, Indore, Malwa Union, Gwalior; Patiala and East Punjab States Union, Patiala; Editor, Journal of Scientific and Industrial Research, P. Block, Raisina Road, New Delhi; Indian Consul of Agriculture Research; Indian Standard Institution, Delhi; Free India Service, Tamrind House, Tamrind Lane, Fort Bombay; The Economic Adviser to the Government of India; Economic Adviser to the Rajasthan Union; The Director General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics, Calcutta; The Secretary, Indian Tariff Board, Bombay; The Secretary, Industrial Finance Corporation of India, New Delhi; and All recognised Chambers of Commerce and Trade Associations.

ORDERED that a copy be communicated to the Government of Burma.

ORDERED also that it be published in the *Gazette of India*.

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